

MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS
INTERN PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

EMPLOYER: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

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DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT: Monday, January 9, 2012

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 5:00 PM (emailed or postmarked)

****STUDENTS MUST BE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE****

POSITION TITLE: Nongame Intern

OF POSITIONS: 1

LOCATION(S): Missoula, MT

WORK START/END DATES: Approximate dates May 15th – August 15th **HOURS/WEEK:** 40

TRAINING/ORIENTATION DATES: Approximately May 15th

COMPENSATION (PAY, PER DIEM, HOUSING, VEHICLE, ETC):

\$8.50 – \$9/hr (depending on previous experience and funding) plus per diem at state rates. *There is no overtime for this position, paid holidays, or additional compensation for working on holidays or weekends.* This position will be based out of Missoula and sometimes require overnight camping and possibly backpacking in remote locations throughout Region 2. **If a state vehicle is not available, individuals may need to use personal vehicle for part or all of summer. Interns would be compensated for mileage at approximately \$0.50/mile. Housing in Missoula is not provided, however field housing in bunkhouses or campers may be available for use during extended trips away from Missoula.**

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The intern will, in coordination with local biologists, conduct nongame surveys and inventories throughout Region 2, with a focus on three newly acquired wildlife management areas near Seeley Lake, Deer Lodge, and Alberton. Work includes small mammal trapping, acoustic and visual surveys for amphibians, owls, and nocturnal waterbirds, acoustic surveys for bats, and nesting surveys for raptors. Depending on applicant's skill, aptitude, and interest, point count surveys for songbirds may be conducted. Interns may occasionally assist with other types of wildlife work. Contact Kristi DuBois in Region 2 FWP for more details on intern position duties after January 16th, 2012.

SKILLS, ABILITIES, KNOWLEDGE NEEDED (EDUCATION; UNDERGRAD/GRAD LEVEL, SUGGESTED/REQUIRED MAJORS): Basic knowledge and understanding of biology, wildlife biology, ornithology, or wildlife management is required. Applicant should be capable of identifying various reptiles, amphibians, birds, and small mammals by sight, sound, and tracks. Effective communication skills both verbal and written are required. This position may require the applicant to work and communicate with professional biologists, other interns, wildlife technicians, and personnel from other agencies. The ability to work both in a team and independently is required. Basic map reading skills, GPS

skills, and the ability to hike and navigate in remote areas is required. The ability to accurately collect and record data is required. The ability to use 4-wheel drive vehicles, manual transmission vehicles, and motorized or non-motorized field equipment is preferred. The position involves flexible working hours, including some night work.

APPLICATION MATERIALS/PROCEDURES (RESUME, COVER LETTER, REFERENCES, ETC.): Submit 1 digital copy of current **resume** identifying experience and skills related to the intern position description with list of 3 reference contacts. Also send **cover or transmittal letter** explaining the reasons for your interest in the internship, personal vehicle that you may have for use if needed, and why you are qualified to do the work. Include a list of relevant college classes, workshops, and other training you have completed. Please submit an electronic application, if possible. Send above to Kristi DuBois, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, 3201 Spurgin Rd, Missoula, MT 59804 or to kdubois@mt.gov no later than 5:00 pm on March 1, 2011. Selection will generally be made within 2-3 weeks of closing date.